

6:02PM (0:07) 1. CALL TO ORDER



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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD OF THE TOWN OF JEROME 600 CLARK STREET 600 CLARK STREET, JEROME, ARIZONA

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025, AT 6:00 PM

Due to the length of this meeting, Council may recess and reconvene at the time and date announced.

Present were Chair Tyler Christensen, Vice Chair Devon Kunde, and Board member Scott Staab. Member Mark Krmpotich was absent from this meeting.
Staff present included Zoning Administrator Will Blodgett and Administrative Specialist/Accounting Clerk Michele Sharif.

6:02PM (0:34) 2. PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no petitions from the public.

6:02PM (0:42) 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the regular meeting of 9.23.2025

*Chair Christensen introduced the minutes inquiring if there were any corrections necessary. There were none.
Vice Chair Kunde made the motion to approve the meeting minutes.
Chair Christensen seconded the motion. He called the question and with 3 ayes the motion carried.*

Motion to approve Meeting Minutes from September 23, 2025, Regular Design Review Board Meeting.

BOARD MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
CHRISTENSEN		X	X			
KUNDE	X		X			
KRMPOTICH					X	
STAAB			X			

6:03PM (1:20) 4. CONTINUED ITEMS/OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to address.

6:03PM (1:29) 5. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Solar Installation for 643 Verde Ave.

*Chair Christensen introduced the item for consideration.
Zoning Administrator Blodgett gave a brief introduction of the project from Carl Holthausen and Gail Barnes to install solar panels on their historic single-family home built around 1900. The proposal meets industry and code standards, with no deviations or design concerns noted. Board members supported the project, noting solar compatibility with historic homes and that a similar installation exists across the street. The item was considered straightforward and without objections.
Chair Christensen made the motion to approve the item as presented.
Board member Staab seconded the motion.
Chair Christensen called the question, and the motion carried unanimously.*

Motion to approve as presented.

BOARD MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
CHRISTENSEN	X		X			
KUNDE			X			
KRMPOTICH					X	
STAAB		X	X			

6:06PM (4:52) 6. MEETING UPDATES

A. The ZA will provide information and updates regarding current and future issues.

Zoning Administrator Blodgett reported that Eric Jurisin will soon submit an application covering the gargoyles and all remaining signage for the Haskins and Haunted Hamburger remodel, adding that he is consolidating everything into one package. He also mentioned ongoing work with the Verde Apartments project, noting that no major exterior changes are expected and that full fire suppression will be installed throughout the building. He then expressed optimism about preservation efforts but is concerned over federal disregard for key historic preservation laws (Sections 106 and 110). He stated his opposition to these actions and assured the board that the broader preservation community is actively responding. Updates will be provided as developments occur.

When asked by Chair Christensen what he expected in the worst-case scenario he responded that he has concerns about the potential loss of federal protections under Section 106, which ensures environmental and historic review for projects using government funds. He explained that federal efforts to weaken or defund these processes could undermine oversight and increase long-term costs. He also noted that Jerome could still meet preservation goals independently, given the community's strong commitment to historic value and preservation. He suggested developing a local historic preservation ordinance to protect against possible federal rollbacks and ensure continued preservation efforts. He emphasized that community care and engagement already support these goals, and expert consultants will help translate that commitment into policy.

6:13(11:19) 7. FUTURE DRB AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Christensen introduced item 7.

Zoning Administrator Blodgett responded that he'd included this information with the previous agenda item.

6:13PM (11:50) 8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Christensen made the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Board member Staab seconded the motion.

Chair Christensen called the question and the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 6:14p.m.

BOARD MEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
CHRISTENSEN	X		X			
KUNDE			X			
KRMPOTICH					X	
STAAB		X	X			

Approved: _____ Date: _____
Tyler Christensen, Design Review Board Chair

Attest: _____ Date: _____
Kristen Muenz, Deputy Town Clerk